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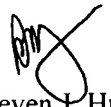
-- GOVERNMENT RIGHTS IN INVENTION

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This invention was made with Government support under Contract No. NAS10-98027 awarded by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The Government has certain rights in this invention. --

REMARKS

By the above amendment, the government rights in the invention deriving from government support under Contract No. NAS10-98027 awarded by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, have been recited. The fact of such government contract support was communicated by the applicant to the undersigned attorney on February 3, 2000 following a review of the subject matter of the application.

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